

TOWN OF FOXBOROUGH
BOARD OF SELECTMEN - EXECUTIVE SESSION
March 09, 2010

Executive Session to discuss Collective Bargaining and to exit Executive Session for the sole purpose of adjournment.

Those Present	Paul Feeney, Chairman	Andy Gala, Town Manager
	Lynda Walsh, Vice Chairman	Randy Scollins, Finance Director
	Paul Mortenson, Clerk	
	Lorraine Brue	
	Larry Harrington	

Andy Gala reported that he had had three meetings with the Police Union and things are moving very slowly. Due to the State continuing to not pay its share on the Quinn Bill, the Town cannot absorb the additional cost of educational reimbursement. The Town proposes to replace the Quinn Bill with a different payment plan as set out in the "Off the Record Offer" submitted February 9, 2010. He said the Town would like to keep this benefit as a stipend. This proposal does not move up with any increases; right now it is a percentage of the officers pay. Andy pointed out other proposals discussed included by-weekly pay schedules and higher health insurance deductibles to help with lower premiums. Randy Scollins feels this is a better offer than the Quinn Bill. It should be posed as a stipend as it is an item that can be negotiated. He said there may be some legislature tied to the Quinn Bill and the State is going to pay \$10,000 against \$122,500 and if the State says the towns to not have to pay, this proposal is better than anything would be under the Quinn Bill.

Andy Gala said he met with Highway and Water & Sewer Union to discuss "zero" increase for next year. Randy Scollins said he is not insensitive to financial hardships at this time and he does not expect the Unions to "jump" into a zero increase for the first year.

A discussion was held regarding the financial reality of the Town not being able to pay expected increases in pay, re-opening of union contracts and the serious financial issues facing the Town and possible reduction of town services.

Motion by Paul Mortenson to exit Executive Session for the sole purpose of adjournment. Seconded by Lorraine Brue.

Vote: 5-0-0	Paul Feeney, Chairman	Yes	
	Lynda Walsh, Vice Chairperson	Yes	
	Paul Mortenson, Clerk	Yes	
	Lorraine Brue	Yes	
	Larry Harrington		Yes

Meeting adjourned at 10:00 p.m.

Paul Mortenson, Clerk